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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: MUCOSAL IMMUNIZATION TO PREVENT  
PRION INFECTION

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Examiner: Agnieszka BOESEN

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 19, 2007. The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following claim groups:

Group I: Claims 1-10, 20-28, 38, 39 and 41-50, directed to a vaccine composition comprising a mammalian prion protein; and

Group II: Claims 11-19, 29-37 and 40, directed to a method of preventing or treating prion disease.

The Examiner has further required election of a species from among the group: SEQ ID NO:1; SEQ ID NO:2; SEQ ID NO:3; SEQ ID NO: 4; and SEQ ID NO:8.

Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-10, 20-28, 38, 39 and 41-50) and SEQ ID NO:4 without traverse. Claims 1-4, 9, 10, 20-23, 28, 38, 39 and 45-50 read on the elected species.